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Attorney Docket No. 02023/LH

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT**  
**AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : F. KOBAYASHI  
Serial No. : 10/052,711  
Filed : JANUARY 18, 2002  
For : NETWORK SERVICE APPLYING APPARATUS,  
NETWORK SERVICE APPLYING METHOD,  
STORAGE MEDIUM AND COMPUTER DATA  
SIGNAL  
Art Unit : 3621  
Examiner : SHERR, CRISTINA O.  
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Dated: April 24, 2006

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**RESPONSE- 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

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This is responsive to the Office Action mailed  
MARCH 24, 2006, the term for response to which expires on  
APRIL 24, 2006.

**ELECTION**

Applicants hereby elect Invention I, claims 1-4 for further  
prosecution on the merits, without traverse.

It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits  
now proceed on the basis of the election set forth above.

It is respectfully submitted that this submission is fully  
responsive to the outstanding Office Action.

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